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LETTER DATED 26 OCTOBER 1993 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF EGYPT TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

I am pleased to enclose herewith the statement issued by the Egyptian Ministry of Foreign Affairs on 22 October 1993 concerning the recent events in Burundi.

I should be grateful if you would have the enclosed statement circulated as an official document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Nabil ELARABY
Ambassador
Permanent Representative

Annex

Statement issued by the Egyptian Ministry of Foreign Affairs on 22 October 1993 concerning the recent events in Burundi

President Hosni Mubarak has followed with extreme concern the distressing developments in the State of Burundi and the dangers involved, which jeopardize the security of its people, threaten the course of democracy in the country and exacerbate the problems of the African continent. This evening, a discussion by telephone was held between Mr. Amr Moussa, the Minister of Foreign Affairs, and Mr. Salim Ahmed Salim, the Secretary-General of the Organization of African Unity, who reported to President Hosni Mubarak on the developments in the situation resulting from the bloody coup witnessed in Burundi yesterday, in which a large number of citizens and officials were killed. The Organization of African Unity condemned those tragic events, and President Hosni Mubarak, as its Chairman, consulted with the delegations of the African States to the United Nations. In addition, the head of the Egyptian delegation immediately contacted the President of the Security Council and held consultations with its members with a view to taking action to contain and address the situation, within the framework of the Charter of the United Nations, in order to safeguard the integrity of the State, the security of its people and respect for the principles of democracy in the dialogue between the national factions.